Statement-IV

Expenditure incurred by Government on DDK, Dibrugarh during the last five years

(in lakhs of Rs.)

Year	Plan (PPC)	Non-Plan (HPT)
1989-90	...	...
1990-91	...	15.37
1991-92	14.85	15.10
1992-93	35.20	15.15
1993-94	63.04	19.41

Information regarding 1993-94 is tentative as Appropriation Accounts for 1993-94 is yet to be finalised.

Conference of Experts in the Power Sector

1031. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether a conference of experts in power sector from SEBs, NTPC and NHPC was held at New Delhi recently;

(b) if so, the details of the discussions held and the outcome thereof;

(c) whether the measures to bridge the gap in power availability and demand position during Eighth Plan period were also discussed; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) to (d) A Conference on 'The Development and Financing of Private Power Projects in India'—"India Power 94" was held at New Delhi on May 23-25, 1994 which was organised by Belgundi Group in association with AIC Conferences, Australia and was Co-sponsored by the Ministry of Power. The Conference was attended by prospective promoters from various countries, officials of State Electricity Boards and State Power and Finance Departments besides officials from the concerned Departments of the Government of India. The development of Private Sector power projects would go a long way to mitigate the power shortage in the country.

Reduction in Arrears of SEBs towards NTPC

1032. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the NTPC has recently chalked out a strategy to reduce its outstandings from the SEBs;

(b) if so, the details of the strategy NTPC propose to adopt;

(c) whether the World Bank have extended loan to the NTPC;

(d) if so, the terms and reference of the loan agreement; and

(e) what other steps NTPC propose to take to reduce outstandings from SEBs?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) and (b)